

by Representative Boehner of Ohio or his designee, which shall be in order

without intervention of any point of order, shall be considered as read, and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions, which shall be considered as read.

The rule provides that during consideration of an amendment printed in the Committee report accompanying this rule, the Chair may postpone the question of adoption as though under clause 8 of rule XX.

The rule also provides for consideration of H.R. 3961, the Medicare Physician Payment Reform Act of 2009 under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI, and provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions of the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that in the engrossment of H.R. 3961, the Clerk shall add the text of H.R. 2920, as passed by the House, as new matter at the end of H.R. 3961. Testimony was heard from Chairmen Rangel and George Miller of California; Representatives Pallone, Stupak, Berkley, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Kagen, Klein of Florida, Johnson of Georgia, Kaptur, Dahlkemper, Barton of Texas, Deal of Georgia, Walden, Burgess, Blackburn, Gingrey of Georgia, Scalise, Pitts, Camp, Brady of Texas, Kline of Minnesota, McKeon, Roe of Tennessee, Sessions, Foxx, Emerson, Kirk, Lipinski, Fleming, Smith of New Jersey, and King of Iowa.

## Joint Meetings

### EMPLOYMENT

*Joint Economic Committee:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the employment situation for October 2009, after receiving testimony from Keith Hall, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2009

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings are scheduled.

#### House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of November 9 through November 14,  
2009

#### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at approximately 3 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 3082, Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act. Also, at 4:30 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Andre M. Davis, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, and after a period of debate, vote on confirmation of the nomination at 5:30 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

#### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* November 10, Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation and Community Development, to hold hearings to examine ending veterans' homelessness, 10 a.m., SD-538.

November 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine protecting consumers from overdraft fees, focusing on the Fairness and Accountability in Receiving Overdraft Coverage Act, 3 p.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget:* November 10, to hold hearings to examine bipartisan process proposals for long-term fiscal stability, 9:30 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* November 10, to hold hearings to examine policy options for reducing greenhouse gas emissions, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* November 9, Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife, to hold hearings to examine S. 1816, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve and reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Program, and S. 1311, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to expand and strengthen cooperative efforts to monitor, restore, and protect the resource productivity, water quality, and marine ecosystems of the Gulf of Mexico, 3 p.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* November 10, to hold hearings to examine climate change legislation, focusing on considerations for future jobs, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* November 10, to hold hearings to examine protocol Amending the Convention between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the French Republic for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and Capital, signed at Paris on August 21, 1994, as Amended by the Protocol signed on December 8, 2004, signed January 13, 2009, at Paris, together with a related Memorandum of Understanding, signed January 13, 2009 (Treaty Doc. 111-04), protocol Amending the Convention between the

United States of America and New Zealand for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion With Respect to Taxes on Income, signed on December 1, 2008, at Washington (Treaty Doc. 111-03), convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Malta for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income, signed on August 8, 2008, at Valletta (Treaty Doc. 111-01), treaty between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Rwanda Concerning the Encouragement and Reciprocal Protection of Investment, signed at Kigali on February 19, 2008 (Treaty Doc. 110-23), and international Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, adopted by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations on November 3, 2001, and signed by the United States on November 1, 2002 (the "Treaty") (Treaty Doc. 110-19), 9 a.m., SD-419.

November 10, Full Committee, to receive a briefing on Sudan, 10:30 a.m., SVC-217.

November 10, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1524, to strengthen the capacity, transparency, and accountability of United States foreign assistance programs to effectively adapt and respond to new challenges of the 21st century, S. 1739, to promote freedom of the press around the world, S. 1067, to support stabilization and lasting peace in northern Uganda and areas affected by the Lord's Resistance Army through development of a regional strategy to support multilateral efforts to successfully protect civilians and eliminate the threat posed by the Lord's Resistance Army and to authorize funds for humanitarian relief and reconstruction, reconciliation, and transitional justice, proposed legislation deploring the rape and assault of women in Guinea and the killing of political protesters, H. Con. Res. 36, calling on the President and the allies of the United States to raise in all appropriate bilateral and multilateral fora the case of Robert Levinson at every opportunity, urging Iran to fulfill their promises of assistance to the family of Robert Levinson, and calling on Iran to share

the results of its investigation into the disappearance of Robert Levinson with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Hague Convention on the International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance, adopted at The Hague on November 23, 2007, and signed by the United States on that same date (Treaty Doc. 110-21), the nominations of Jose W. Fernandez, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Economic, Energy, and Business Affairs, William E. Kennard, of the District of Columbia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the European Union, with the rank and status of Ambassador, John F. Tefft, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Ukraine, Michael C. Polt, of Tennessee, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia, and Cynthia Stroum, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Luxembourg, all of the Department of State, and James LaGarde Hudson, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, and routine lists in the Foreign Service, 2:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* November 10, Subcommittee on Children and Families, to hold hearings to examine H1N1 and paid sick days, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* November 10, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Erroll G. Southers, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, and Daniel I. Gordon, of the District of Columbia, to be Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* November 10, to hold hearings to examine strengthening our criminal justice system, focusing on extending the Innocence Protection Act, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* November 10, to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

### House Committees

No committee meetings are scheduled.